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Useful Christmas Gifts

At this time of year every one enters into the spirit of giving, and this is right for it is "more blessed to give than to receive."

You should select your gifts with a thought to their usefulness, then your gifts become of real value. We have large stocks in all departments, New Fancy Articles, Neckwear, Pillow Tops, etc., Jackets, and Suits this season's styles, marked down one-half price.

Suits and Coats at Half Price.

All of our this season's coats and suits for children, misses and ladies, just one-half the regular price. Here is a chance to save a few dollars, and just when you need the goods.

ONE LOT ladies' coats, novelty goods, three-quarter length, belted back, unlined, regular price, \$7.50; now \$3.75.

ONE LOT misses' coats of heavy zibelin, capes on shoulders, belted back trimmed with black braid, regular price \$4.98; now \$2.49.

ONE LOT coats, ladies' sizes, short and three-quarter length, last season's styles, regular prices \$8.98, \$10.00, \$12.50; now \$2.98.

ONE LOT suits, this fall style of black pebble cheviot, jacket satin lined, silk strapped and trimmed with soutache braid, belted, semi-fitted back, full plaited skirt, was \$20.00; now \$10.00.

ONE LOT suits, ladies' and misses' sizes, last season's style, long and short jackets, some great values, regular prices, \$10.00, \$12.50, \$15.00, \$20.00; now \$4.98.

This is but a few of the many bargains we are offering in our suit department.

Children's Fur Sets.

What will please the girls more than a pretty fur set? We are showing a nice line of sets in prices from \$1.25 to \$6.50.

ONE LOT of white Angora fur, neat little collar, satteen lined, round muff, \$1.25.

ONE Lot white lamb sets, neat collar, round muff, curly fur, \$1.50.

ONE LOT chinchilla hare, flat muff, with head and ribbons, wide collar, satin lined, \$2.98.

ONE LOT white thibet, long silky fur, round muff, flat collar, \$3.50.

ONE LOT chinchilla hare, all fur collar with tails, large round muff, very neat and warm, \$5.00.

ONE LOT misses sets of sable cone and kimmer, wide flat collar with cord and tails, flat muff with cord and ornaments, \$6.50.

Towels

These are always acceptable.

ONE LOT damask towels, both fringed and hemmed ends, plain white and colored border, 16 x 32 inches, 12 1/2 cents.

ONE LOT huck towels, hemmed ends, 20 x 37 inches, good weight, all white, 12 1/2 cents.

ONE LOT damask towels, pure linen, hemstitched or fringed ends, 19 x 36 inches, plain white and colored border, 25 cents.

ONE LOT bleached damask towels, hemstitched ends, with three rows of drawn work, 20 x 40 inches, 50 cents.

Many other grades in towels of all kinds, 7 1/2 cents to \$1.37 each.

This is only a few of the many useful things to be found in our large store. We will be glad to see you and show you our line even if you are not ready to purchase.

Our motto—Good goods at reasonable prices and one price to all.

Thomas Smiley, Norway, Maine.

Annual Christmas Handkerchief Sale.

If you do not know what to buy for gifts, get handkerchiefs. They are always acceptable and can be sent away at little cost. We have a stock of Four Hundred and Fifty Dozen to select from.

ONE LOT children's plain handkerchiefs in pretty little boxes, three in box, 15 cents per box.

ONE LOT ladies', three handkerchiefs in pretty boxes, fancy linen, embroidered corners, 50 cents per box.

ONE LOT suit cases of handkerchiefs, six in each case, plain hemmed, good quality, 50 cts. per case.

ONE LOT initial handkerchiefs, plain, narrow hem, 5 cents each.

ONE LOT initial handkerchiefs, pure linen, pretty letter, narrow hem, ladies' and men's size, 25 cts.

ONE LOT Bunny picture handkerchiefs in book form with paper covers, 6 different pictures, 25 cts.

ONE LOT ladies' handkerchiefs, 25 styles, plain, lace edged, embroidered corners, 5 cents.

ONE LOT 10 styles, lace edge, plain hem, embroidered, very neat, 10c.

ONE LOT 15 styles, plain linen, embroidered edge and corners, insertion, very neat, 12 1/2 cents.

ONE LOT all linen, plain hem, embroidered, lace trimmed, 30 different patterns, 25 cents.

ONE LOT pure linen, embroidered, lace edge, insertion, 45 styles, all very neat, 50 cents.

We have many other styles at 15c, 37 1/2c, 75c and \$1.00.

Table Covers

We have a good line of tapestry covers, all sizes, pretty colors.

ONE LOT Table Covers of tapestry in greens, browns and reds, pretty patterns, 32 inches square, fringed, 75c.

ONE LOT Table Covers of tapestry in good colors, figured patterns, 48 inches square, fringed, \$1.00.

ONE LOT Table Covers, heavy tapestry, rich colorings, 48 inches, \$1.50.

ONE LOT Table Covers of heavy tapestry, rich colors, Oriental and flowered patterns, 50 inch, heavy fringe, \$2.50.

ONE LOT Table Covers of heavy tapestry, in browns, reds and greens, neat patterns, 81 inch, \$3.98.

Rugs

Any housekeeper will be pleased with a pretty rug.

ONE LOT Moquet Rugs, 18x36 inches, neat pattern, finished end, \$1.00.

ONE LOT Moquet Rugs, 27x60 inches, flowered and scroll pattern, \$2.50.

ONE LOT Moquet Rugs, 36x72 inches, Oriental and flowered patterns, rich colors, \$3.87.

ONE LOT tapestry carpeting samples, 27x45 inches, many colors, finished ends, 75c.

ONE LOT Smyrna Mats, 18x36, pretty patterns, and a variety of colors, 98c.

ONE LOT all wool Smyrna Rugs, 30 x 60 inches, fringed, variety of patterns and color, \$1.98.

All other sizes and prices.

THE NEWS ABOUT TOWN

ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP BY THE NEWS MAN.

Miss Lucia Weed is spending a few weeks in Boston.

Mrs. C. O. Foster was in Portland last week.

Miss Mina Tyler of West Bethel, was in the village, Sunday.

Mr. Edward Stevens of Cambridge is at Mr. Gilbert Tuell's.

Mrs. Charles Mason and daughters Fannie and Grace returned from Portland, last night.

Miss Lucie Morse of Upton, was town Friday, en route for Canton, where she is teaching school.

Mrs. C. W. Hobbs of Worcester, Mass., has been visiting her father, Mr. S. B. Twitchell.

Mrs. C. E. Arno went to Gorham, N. H., Tuesday, returning Wednesday.

Miss Edith Walker and Mrs. J. H. Barrows spent last week in Portland.

Chester Wheeler is attending the Maine State Dairymen's Association in Lewiston, to-day.

Miss Hattie Foster has returned from Lewiston, having spent two weeks with relatives.

Mrs. S. F. Ball has joined her husband, and her many Bethel friends are pleased to meet her again.

Mr. Gerry Wells and Mrs. Will Ross of Gorham, N. H., were in town, Tuesday, to attend the funeral of Freddie Morgan.

Mrs. Jesse Bennett of the Fryeburg Academy Grant, died last Monday night, leaving an infant son.

The ladies of Alder River Grange will serve a baked bean and pastry supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Howe, East Bethel Thursday evening, Dec. 15.

Letters from Mr. Strobel give most satisfactory accounts of his health, and gratifying results are achieved showing his success as Chief Adviser to the King of Siam.

Miss Senda Berensen who spent the summer at Dr. Gehring's has joined her brother, Brenhard Berensen, the famous Florentine artist, in his home in Florence.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. W. Bartlett of East Bethel, very pleasantly entertained a number of their friends last Friday evening; seven tables were set for progressive whist, and Mrs. J. M. Bartlett and George H. Swan received the first prizes.

The W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. O. M. Mason, Tuesday afternoon. After discussing the question, "If the Prohibitory Law is in any degree a failure, is it the fault of the law or the people?" Mrs. Mason read a very interesting report of the National W. C. T. U. Convention recently held in Washington, D. C.

Just take a look at those old books which may have long since been relegated to the attic or better, may be fondly cherished for the gems which they contain, and if you find among them a reader which your father used in his school days, bring it to the News office and make the editor happy. It will receive good care and will be returned promptly.

Mrs. Richardson of New York and Biddeford Pool, Miss Andrews of Cincinnati, Miss Rockwell of Boston and Manchester-by-the-Sea, Miss Goldmark of New York, Miss Miller, sister of Dr. Dickerson Miller of Columbia University, of Philadelphia, Miss Colwell and Miss Mavitt of Cleveland, Mr. James Murliard of Edinburg and Cambridge, are with Dr. Gehring for the winter.

Mrs. I. W. Cole of East Bethel, who suffered a severe shock a few months ago, passed away at her late home last Saturday morning, at the age of 61 years, 5 months. Funeral services were held at Locke Mills, Monday at 11 a. m., conducted by Rev. F. C. Potter of this village. Only a year ago this month Mr. Cole was called upon to part with his only daughter, and he, and the remaining relatives, have the deepest and sincerest sympathy of their many friends in this second sorrow.

BUSINESS POINTERS.

Business Readers will be published in this column at eight cents per line, reckoning six words to the line.

My store will be open every evening next week. L. M. STEARNS.

Silver novelties make nice presents, while the price is small.

Boys watches \$1.00 and \$1.50 at King's.

Miss Hall's store will be open every evening from Dec. 19 to 24.

Rings at King's.

Diamonds not only are a desirable gift, but a good investment as well. King has a few bargains in good ones.

To accommodate customers King's store will be open every evening the week before Christmas.

Note the change in Miss Hall's ad. page 4.

The winter term of Gould's Academy opened Tuesday.

The Y. P. C. U. gave a Welcome social, Monday night, to the returning Academy students.

The Ladies' Club will meet Thursday afternoon at the usual hour, at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Tuell.

The second in the series of social dances given by the Bethel Athletic Association will be held in Odeon Hall, to-morrow night.

The Brick school was closed Tuesday afternoon, to allow teachers and pupils to attend the funeral of Freddie Morgan, a scholar in the grammar grade.

The annual Christmas Sale and Supper given by the Ladies' Club was held Wednesday evening. Both were well patronized especially the delicious supper which was served at six o'clock. The net proceeds were \$112.

A young woman employed as a telephone-operator is often of assistance to the Company's patrons in things which at first do not seem to be part of her duty.

The New England Telephone company, for example, trains its operators to summon assistance when notified of accidents; to inform inquiring subscribers of the arrival of steamships; and to furnish information concerning fires, events of public interest, and similar happenings.

Saturday morning, the community was saddened when it was learned that Freddie Morgan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Corlis Morgan, had passed away. Only one short week of illness and the bright, cheerful boy had finished his work here. He will be missed by neighbors and friends who had learned to love the sunny faced lad who always had a smile and was so thoughtful of others, rendering little services gladly. The funeral was held at the home of his parents, Tuesday afternoon. Rev. F. C. Potter, his pastor, spoke words of comfort and hope. The school was suspended and the teachers and the members of his class attended in a body. Flowers from the family and friends and a pillow from his schoolmates, teacher and Superintendent Hastings were silent tokens of the love and respect in which he was held. Interment was in Woodlawn cemetery. The family receive a large degree of sympathy.

Services at Congregational Church. Next Sunday morning the pastor will give the last of the "Un" series of sermons, topic, "Unreligious Religion." Sunday school at 12 m.

Christian Endeavor meeting at 7 o'clock, topic, "Whatever he Would like to have me do." At this service the last chapter of "Eiram Gol's Religion" will be read by Prof. Hanscom, the title "From Earth to Heaven."

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Watches

For boys. Just what a lad would be pleased with. Good time keepers. Prices from \$1.00 up.

For girls and ladies. Solid gold, gold filled or silver, every one fully warranted. Prices from \$10.00 up.

For Gentlemen. Different sizes and grades to fill demand of all classes. From nickel to gold. Prices from \$4.00 up.

Chains

Vest chains for gentlemen, various styles in plate and 14-18 gold filled. Prices from \$1.50 up.

Ladies Lorgnette chains. These have been popular for several years. My stock includes many styles. Prices \$1.60 up.

Fobs

The coming style, worn by both ladies and gentlemen. Silk, silver and gold filled. Prices from 85c. to \$5.00.

Bracelets

Your choice of many patterns. Always popular with the young ladies. Prices 75c. up.

Clocks

Black wood, Gilt, Porcelain, Nickel and fancy clocks. Prices \$1.00 up.

Rings

Diamonds, Pearls, Opals and many other stones, mounted in as fine a line of rings as I have ever had. Prices \$1.50 to \$35.00.

Child's rings and baby rings 75c. up. Gents Rings \$2.00 up.

Souvenir Goods

Birch bark frames and boxes, Sweet Grass baskets, Burnt Leather, Fancy goods etc. Prices 10c. up.

Fountain Pens

The Parker Lucky Curve fountain pen makes a desirable gift, one that will be used for years. Prices \$1.50 to \$6.00.

Neck Chains & Beads

These are worn now a great deal. Many to choose from. Prices from \$1.35 up.

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Solid gold, filled and silver Mounted with Pearls, Diamonds etc. 25c. to \$12.50.

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Many patterns in solid gold, filled, plate and sterling. 40c. up.

Silver Novelties

My line is as large as usual and includes many articles besides the following: Hat, Bonnet, Clothes, Tooth and Nail Brushes, Button Hooks, Shoe horns Scissors, Pocket combs, Pocket nail files, Cold Cream Jars, Bag tags, match safes, Seals, nail polishers, Darners, etc. Prices from 25c. up.

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Large assortment of fancy forks and spoons, 75c. up.

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Island Pond, leave,	1.45	6.30	12.55
Gorham,	4.00	8.20	2.50
Gilead,	4.35	8.40	3.10
West Bethel,	4.38	8.50	3.18
BETHEL, arrive,	4.46	9.00	3.28
Lookle Mills,	4.57	9.10	3.37
Bryant Pond,	5.05	9.18	3.43
South Paris,	5.39	9.44	4.04
Lewiston,	6.03	10.45	4.35
Portland, arrive,	7.30	11.30	5.50
Boston, via rail,	12.45	4.10	

TRAINS GOING WEST.

	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Portland, leave,	8.15	1.30	7.00
Lewiston,	8.00	2.25	7.45
Gorham,	10.07	3.22	8.47
Bryant Pond,	10.34	4.02	9.18
Lookle Mills,	10.41	4.12	9.26
BETHEL, arrive,	10.50	4.25	9.37
West Bethel,	10.57	4.35	9.46
Gilead,	11.07	4.51	9.59
Gorham,	11.30	5.40	10.25
Island Pond,	1.30	7.50	12.45
Montreal,	6.50		7.00
Toronto,	7.15		4.50
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CHAPTER XII.

FIRE!

Lord Cantyre had arrived in time for afternoon tea. David having sent in a huge array of a certain deadly kind of Christmas bun, shortbread, and hot scones. Bertie, with his mouth full, had already begun tea, when Cantyre and his friend were shown in to the drawing-room; and shortly afterwards Professor Luttrell's coat surreptitiously dusted by David in the hall with a very large clothes-brush, appeared in great haste to make them welcome. David's brush, with a deperate "wait a wee, sir," having followed him to the very door.

"I intended to be in time to make you welcome—you and your friend; Lord Cantyre," he said, "but I have been unusually busy in the laboratory. I had been obliged to dismiss a very capable man (I really think, Molly my dear, I must have Sandy back again), and I could find nothing when I wanted it. I do not know if you are at all scientific, sir?" and he turned to the Colonial, who laughed and shook his head, "or take any interest in chemical research?"

"I don't know anything about chemistry, Professor; Lord Cantyre tells me that is your line," he said; "but I know a good deal about mining and engineering, though I say it, and I used to dabble a bit in stones before I left the old country. I have got my lordship's diamond here in my pocket. He tells me that you are going to tell him how to cut it. It's a fine stone, 'Advance Australia' they should have christened it, I say."

Eve entered then, and Lord Cantyre went up to her eagerly, introducing his friend to her.

"We have brought the stone, Miss Luttrell. After tea Marsland shall produce it, and the Professor can report. I say, Professor, what a joke it is turned out that it wasn't a diamond after all! I say, I never thought of that."

"It's a diamond, right enough, and a splendid one," Marsland said, "as you will see. Your Uncle Ralph wants the future countess to wear it, set as a brooch like the Koh-i-noor. He said first he'd call it the 'Countess of Cantyre.' 'Well, I wish you'd come and have tea now,' Bertie said rather crossly from the tea-table. 'These scones are getting quite cold, and Cameron has sent to say he wants particularly to see me above five. I want to see your diamond, Cantyre, before I go. Come along, Molly, pour out, and I'll hand round.'"

They all went up to the tea-table then, where Molly dispensed cups, and the earl helped himself to a large slab of the bun.

They finished tea, and the old man led the way to the library, saying the light was better there.

Molly had lit one of the gas jets near the fire, but Mr. Marsland went to the window instinctively, when he took a little leather case from his inner breast-pocket, and then laid some thing white and sparkling on the red baize of the table-cover in the window. They all gathered round eagerly; Eve lifted the diamond and held it up.

"To think that this large dewdrop, this piece of white fire, should cost so much!" she said. "And although I suppose it is dreadful ignorance on my part, I have really seen pure jewels in the Palais Royal which seemed to shine as well. This is very beautiful, of course. Dear me! yes, it is very fine! Take it away from me, Lord Cantyre, before I break any of the commandments!"

He took the jewel from her laughingly, but put it against the dark-green serge of her dress for a moment, looking round as if for admiration. Against the dark-green the stone sparkled magnificently. It was about the size of a hazel-nut, a very white diamond with magnificent facets.

"That looks well, doesn't it?" Cantyre said; and then he put the stone against the ruddy waves of Eve's hair, a good deal of color in his boyish face. He was evidently pleased with her admiration.

"Yes, it is a jolly big diamond. But for my part I shouldn't care to have money looked up in that way," Bertie remarked, his hands in his pockets. He had never liked Cantyre, and he was acting on an impulse now which prompted him to say something, anything, to belittle this possession. "You can't wear that stone on many occasions—only at big functions, suppose. For my part, if it were mine, I should have it cut up and get my money's worth. What a Jew any man would look with that thing stuck in his shirt-front!"

"I am surprised at you, Bertie!" The Professor looked at his son with deep reproach. "That is the speech of a Philistine, sir and a Philistine of the deepest dye! Cut it up! You would destroy a beautiful gem, a beautiful specimen, for the sake of money! The diamond is interesting, as the largest yet found in Australia. It is beautiful in form and color, perfectly flawless, and when properly cut—that business has been sadly bungled, Lord Cantyre—it will be more valuable, I think,

than has been thought. I shall write down my views as to the cutting, later." He was examining the stone with his pocket magnifying-glass as he spoke.

"I am glad you like it, Professor," Cantyre said lightly. "I know Uncle Ralph will be pleased to hear what you say. Put it down on the red baize again, Marsland; I want to see how it sparkles."

The young people had gathered round the table again, and Cantyre was gently rolling the edge of the cloth so that the stone ran to and fro, like a little iridescent bubble of a glittering rain-drop. The old man turned to the Australian then.

"I should like to show you some of my collection, sir, if you care to look at it," he said. "I have some models of famous jewels which I think would interest you in this connection, and some very fine specimens of New Zealand jade. My best cabinets I have put into the old stables at the back. We can reach them through this passage."

"Now, Dad, don't go and catch cold in the stables!" Molly cried, "be sure and shut all the doors." She was looking up from the floor where she was kneeling beside the table. The Professor nodded to her absently, leading the way by a door which opened from the library and led down to a passage into the stables and coach-house at the back. Both were full of many cabinets and cases of minerals, some of them still unpacked. He loved nothing better than to show his treasures to an interested spectator.

"Marsland will enjoy seeing the collection," Cantyre said then, standing by Eve's side. "He is rather a clever chap in his way, and I think some of his experiences might interest Professor Luttrell. He was telling me to-day about a vein of—"

The earl never finished his sentence. Just at that moment a shriek of appalling length and ear-piercing quality burst upon their ears, and he next moment the drawing-room door was burst open widely, and Bethia, apologetic and panting, came rushing into the library.

"Fire!" she was shrieking at the pitch of her voice. "Fire! murder! We are all on fire in the kitchen! And David's lying dead on the floor! For pity's sake, Miss Molly, come and see!"

This was alarming enough to get everyone from the room, and a rush was instantly made through the drawing-room, Bethia shrieking after them. Once in the hall, an unmistakable odor greeted them, and in the kitchen a sufficiently alarming spectacle met their eyes. The china cupboard opening off the kitchen was wreathed in flames, which were bursting through the wall, and David lay unconscious on her white stone floor, a mass of broken crockery surrounding her. The young men rushed at once to the cupboard, and, seizing a hatchet, Cantyre began to break down the shelves, while Molly and Eve attended to the old servant and Bertie dashed on rather inefficient jugs of water. They saw very soon, however, that so small a supply was useless, and Bertie went rushing off, saying that he remembered there was an old garden-hose in the attic and that he would fetch it down.

"I'll summon the St. Rule's fire-engine!" Marsland said then, going to and fro to the scullery with pails of water, his coat off and his face already grimy and smoke-wreathed. "Is there a fire-engine? Do you know, Miss Luttrell? Now that I think, I don't know that I ever heard of one."

"There is a very old one, but I don't think it would be a bit of use," Molly said, looking up from the floor, where she and Eve were bathing David's face. "I saw a fire in High Street lately, and when they did get the engine up, all the house was leaking. It distributed shower-baths gratis on the crowd, while the fire blazed cheerfully undisturbed. I believe they are applying about one in the Town Council."

"I don't think it would be much use, but Bethia might run up at once and see. She could at least bring back some men. Do stop sobbing and shrieking, Bethia, and run for help, just as you are."

They were doing what they could, but still David showed no signs of returning consciousness, and Eve left the kitchen to get a bottle of smelling-salts, while Cantyre worked on manfully, holding the flames at least in check. Some time passed before David opened her eyes slowly at last, as Eve entered with the smelling-salts and some brandy, and by and by Bertie came hurrying back with the hose.

"I had an awful business to find it," he said, "but here it is at last. I'll fasten this end to the scullery tap, Cantyre, and then we'll soon get the better of the flames. Where the dickens is Bethia. That's it, Cantyre! Now we'll soon put this thing out! Off we go! Take care of yourself, Molly! Don't deluge the clock, Cantyre, Lord! what a mess!"

"Bethia has gone to see about the fire-engine," Molly said, at which her brother jeered loudly. "You might as well fetch the Square Tower! But if she brings a few men I can employ them. However did David manage to burst up like this? She's coming to, though. Look at her. I say, wouldn't a douche from this make her sit up? That's right—we've got that end out!"

The old woman had opened her eyes, and now gazed vacantly before her, waving aside Eve's smelling-bottle as she tried to sit up.

"Have we got the fire out?" she gasped weakly. "I was trying to save the mistress's dinner-set when I fell off the steps. This is an awful like thing! Mr. Bertie, have you saved the best china?"

"The best china is all in smithereens at your feet, David," was the comforting rejoinder, "but we're getting the fire out. That's right, Cantyre, we'll save the house. This is that blessed fireplace next door—it's just

against that wall. I always knew this would happen. Oh, here are Bethia, and M'Neil the plumber!" I say, M'Neil, here's a pretty mess!"

Bethia had returned with three or four men, and presently the kitchen was full. David was sufficiently herself once more to regard the men with suspicion and disfavor, and hastily wiping the water from her face and neck, she was able to keep her eyes upon her kitchen, and upon the fragments of china, which she hastily seized and wofully piled upon the table. She allowed the men, however, to help Lord Cantyre and Bertie to tear down all the remaining shelves and extinguish the last flames, and she was even civil to Mr. Forret, when she saw that gentleman had come in with the plumber, and was now working as efficiently as any one. She allowed afterwards that "Sandy had his head on his shoulders," he had won her approval by rescuing a very fine tureen from a top shelf, which had somehow managed to escape the general devastation. He was very careful, too, not to spoil this unwanted state of affairs, and stoically refused a glass of beer when Bertie sat for it, aware that David's eye was upon him.

"I've turned over a new leaf, sir," he said solemnly, with a deep sigh. "I'm hoping you and David will say a word in my favor to the Professor. I hear he has got naebody to please him since I left, and mebbe after this op'ry here, and all this mess is cleared up, ye'll mind to say a word for me, David, for auld acquaintance sake. I could come the morn's morn. I've been off work for weeks and I'm feeling fusionless and dune, for want o' food!"

David, however, was not so easily appeased and she only tossed her head in answer, feeling that it would not do to give him any promise, especially in a scene of such excitement. So with a polite nod and a "Weel, gude-day to ye, David," Sandy went off with the other men, and she began energetically to dash off to the washhouse with the charred and broken shelves.

"I declare we have all worked like Trojans! Come and have a wash, Cantyre, and then we'll come down and have some more tea. Bethia, you can make some more tea—unless you'd like something stronger, Cantyre? I suppose my father and Marsland have been lost all this time in the stables, and have heard nothing. If the blaze had been in the laboratory, the governor would have heard, and been off to his head. He'll be thankful to hear that it was only the kitchen."

The two young men went upstairs then, and Molly and Eve returned to the drawing-room, just as the Professor and Mr. Marsland came into the library from the passage. Molly was putting coals on the fire—amid the general "aw-aw-aw" it had been allowed to get very low—when her father and the Australian came into the room; and Eve was standing at the French window, looking out into the darkness. Her mind had reverted to Uncle Geoff for a moment after the excitement, and she asked herself again: Had he really left? It was such a wild and impossible scheme. For the Professor would be sure to see that the diamond was safely put away—And just at that point she started, and something seemed to catch her heart. The diamond! They had left it on the table! Was it there still? Had they all gone mad?

She went to the entrance to the library just as Marsland came towards her.

"What is this about a fire?" he said, only half hearing Molly's explanations to her father, and then he glanced at the table. "Where has Cantyre put his diamond? Loose in his pocket, I'll wager a guinea!"

"Where has he put it? It is there! We left it there! Is it not there?" She had grown white and then crimson, and something in the terror of her voice made Molly break off her description of the fire and come to the door.

"It is certainly not here; he must have taken it," the Australian said. "Don't be alarmed, Miss Luttrell. Cantyre has dropped it into his pocket."

"He didn't—he went rushing off, just as we all did! It is here, it must be there—it must have fallen down! He was rolling it about on the cloth! Eve, look—look on the carpet!"

Molly had gone down on her knees on the floor suddenly, white and trembling. The terror in her cousin's face was reflected in hers—it seemed as if mortal fear possessed them both. Molly searched with her little hands all over the carpet. She had seized the microscope which stood on the table with feverish strength, lifted it down, and then shook the cloth. They were still searching wildly when the two young men entered, and Eve looked up at Cantyre.

"Lord Cantyre, did you come in and take your diamond? Have you hid it?" she said, "to frighten us?"

"Molly waited with a kind of sobbing breath, and then her eyes went to Bertie, who was lounging behind the earl, seeming very little concerned, it appeared, at their alarm.

"No, I certainly didn't hide it. I declare I'd forgotten all about it," Cantyre said. "By Jove! you don't mean to tell me the thing's gone! That can't be possible, for there has been no one but ourselves in the house. At least, I'm sure I didn't hear the front-door bell ring, and those fellows never left the kitchen. It can't have gone, Miss Luttrell. Let's look again. It must have rolled on to the floor."

"We have looked, Lord Cantyre," Molly said in a stifled voice; "it isn't there. I have looked in all these corners."

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Japan's Paper Kettles.

In the Japanese army every soldier carries with him kettles which are made of paper, the invention of one Daiju. The kettle is made of ordinary thin Japanese paper. It is filled with water, and then water is poured over it. It is hung over the fire, and in ten minutes the water is boiling. The kettle can be used eight or ten times, and the cost of it is about 2 cents.

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A woman does not always pick a man of ripe experience. The language in a dead letter isn't always perfectly killing.

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Wasted Energy. "What a terrible crush!" exclaimed one lady to another in an overcrowded car.

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Mayme—Yes. He promised to return the lock of my hair that adorns his pocket, but he has failed to do so.

Edyth—Well, I never did have much faith in those alleged hair restorers.

Heartless Experiment. "Aren't you going to have another monkey at one of your smart set dinners?"

"No," answered Mr. Bangston. "The last one we had looked so bored we were afraid the S. P. C. A. would interfere."—Washington Star.

Finger Print Identification. Addressing the Anthropological Society in London, the Rev. Mr. Collyer, a missionary, said he had been able to trace the use of the system of identification by finger impressions (recently introduced in Europe) for 1,200 years in Corea in the deeds of

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FAGIN'S KITCHEN.

Place in London Supposed to be One Described by Dickens.

At the bottom of Great Saffron Hill, London, is situated what at one time was one of the most hideous and dangerous of slums. It is a part of a ruinous old tenement, exactly answering to the description of the infamous den to which the Artful Dodger led Oliver Twist as a new "pal" for a visit to "Greenland." The den had several ominous looking staircases leading into dark and ill smelling passages, and had plenty of cubboards available for thieves' booty.

From the outhouses any of the light fingered gentry could easily have dropped into the street, while the adjacent house, condemned by the London City Council, was easily accessible. The last named tenement, formerly a haunt for vagrants, with all the conveniences of a thieves' kitchen had associations of the worst kind and has not come under the ban of the London Parliament a moment too soon.

Fagin was a real character named Isaac Touch, who, when raided by the police, was found to possess a peck measure of watches. He had the name of being a confederate in worse crimes than training young thieves and buying stolen property.

An Ashantee Baby Carriage. The Ashantee baby rides astride his mother's hip secured by a band around him and her waist. Note now this one stares at the camera. Babies



of undivided races are more attentive and inquisitive than ours. Their senses are naturally more acute and are further sharpened by their rough-and-tumble existence.

The King of Elms.

What is said to be the largest elm in New England and one of the greatest east of the Rocky Mountains is in the historic little town of Wethersfield, famed for its onion garden and its prison. The elm stands on the lower end of the old town square, opposite the Smith house, still occupied by descendants of John Smith, who planted the tree over 170 years ago.

At the base, where some of the massive roots, as they radiate from the trunk, protrude above the surface, the circumference is 55½ feet, while the main trunk above the ground is 22½ feet in circumference. According to Oliver Wendell Holmes's classification of elms, this would come easily within the first class, and with something to spare, for all elms with a girth of twenty feet a short distance above the ground he catalogued as of the first order of size. New England, with its multitude of great elms, can show few whose measure from two to four feet above the surface will be twenty feet.

Four huge branches spring from the trunk of the Wethersfield tree. Each one of them would make a big tree in itself.

Wants to Know What His Cats Say.

When Garner went on his silly iron cage expedition to Africa to learn the language of apes, we observed that he might better stay at home and construct a language from that most conversational of creatures, the domestic hen. The hen knows more, and says more in fifteen minutes than a monkey does in a week. But there is a man in a Maine town called Unity who has elected an eremitic life with cats as his family, and he is getting records of their utterances by means of phonographs. He says he has worked out their system, and he goes out nights when his toms are particularly musical, and talks with them, in their own language. After all, why not? What the monkeys or hens or cats say can be of no possible importance. That they understand it among themselves is sure. But if any human being wants to amuse himself with these matters, he is very likely doing as well as if he concerned himself with the speech of his average fellow-men—which also is of no great consequence.—Springfield Republican.

An Enormous Squash.

It is said that a California farmer living near the city of Los Angeles recently raised a squash of such enormous dimensions that it was used as a stable for a calf. A hole was cut in one end large enough to put the animal inside and another made in the other end allowed its head to protrude. The weight of the squash was estimated at between 200 and 250 pounds.



The case of Miss Frankie Orser, of Boston, Mass., is interesting to all women.

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A WOMAN AT THE BANK.

"Good morning," said the lady in fashionable attire, as she approached the Teller's window in the bank.

"Good morning," came from the busy Teller as he wiped the beads of perspiration from his brow.

"Nice morning," continued the smiling female.

"Yes," said the Teller, turning his face away to escape the strong odor of violet extract.

"Family well?"

"Oh, yes, very well. What can I do for you, this morning?"

"Been on your vacation yet?"

"Not yet," very impatiently.

"Nice weather for vacation?"

"Yes."

"Family away yet?"

"Going soon, I suppose?"

"Something I can do for you?" said the Teller, very much out of patience, as he saw the line growing behind the fussy woman.

"Y-es, let me see. What day is today?"

"To-day is Friday."

"Oh, yes, Friday. Yesterday was Thursday, of course."

"Those people are getting very impatient behind you, madam."

"Must keep you very busy here?"

"I—yes," said the Teller.

"I suppose you're glad when Sunday comes, so you can have a day of rest."

"Do you want to make a deposit or draw some money, madam?"

"Oh, yes. I almost forgot; why, I want to make a deposit. Oh, dear, I've forgotten to make out the ticket, won't you make it out for me?"

"How much?" as the Teller mopped his brow for the 15th time.

"Let me see! I think it is \$34," fumbling in her pocket.

"Your book, please."

"Oh, my! Now, isn't that too bad! I've come away and left the book and the money at home. Well, I'll have to drop in again. Good day."

Flannel and Linen.

Dr. Leonard Williams, in an article in the London practitioner, declares that flannel underclothing is a fraud.

"Dry flannel," he says, "is practically unabsorbent, whereas linen, cotton and silk are in different degrees very absorbent." He concludes that "woolen underclothing is, of all others, the best calculated to induce a relaxed and unresponsive condition of the skin."

Jewels in the Sultan's Treasury.

A correspondent writing from Constantinople to a Paris Journal claims, as the result of personal inspection, to give details of the collection of jewels in the sultan's treasury. The turbans of all the sultans since Mahomet II. are there, all glittering with large gems of the purest water. There are also the royal throne of Persia, carried off by the Turks in 1514, and covered with more than 20,000 rubies, emeralds and fine pearls, and also the throne of Suleiman I., from the dome of which there hangs over the head of the calliph an emerald six inches long and four inches deep. These two thrones are the chief objects of the collection.

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Three months afterward he received a demand from the local State Treasury for the payment of 14 lire 48 centesimi—nearly \$3. Thinking a mistake had been made, he took no notice of this demand, with the result that later an official called upon him and demanded the immediate payment of 18 lire—\$3.50. The father had not sufficient money in hand, so the official took possession of the man's furniture. The cost of this seizure brought the total sum to 30 lire, which the poor man had to pay that same evening to avoid the sale of his goods by auction.

Cork Thrift.

Because the world's supply of cork is rapidly diminishing, the cork perquisite in the big hotels and restaurants is now a valuable privilege. They are no longer thrown away, but are put in a box or barrel, where they accumulate until the cork picker comes around and pays a round sum in cash for all offered to him. The waiter now employs corkscrews which inflict the minimum amount of damage upon the cork, and in many places where large numbers of corks are extracted in a day a steel cork extractor is used.

Large corks may be recut with considerable profit. Others, which have been injured, can be cut so as to discard the injured portions and utilize that which is sound. Corks which have been discolored by grease can be cleaned by benzine, ammonia or lime and water. Those which have been discolored or flavored by medicine can be rendered usable by long continued boiling with a small quantity of chloride of lime and subsequent drying in a kiln or oven. The finest quality come from champagne bottles, and always command a good price. It is possible to reuse them, and it is said that this is done by manufacturers both here and abroad.

Trewin's Big Head.

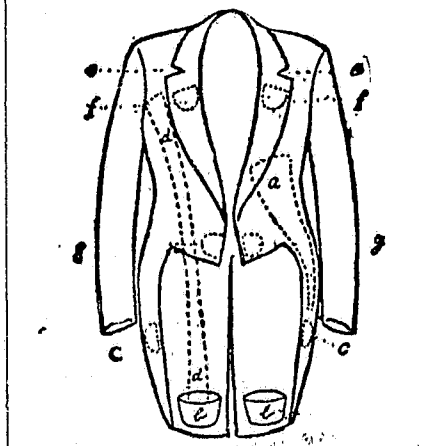
"Excuse me, sir, but I guess you took my hat from the dining-room rack," said a gentleman with an Eastern accent as he tapped his finger on the shoulder of Senator James Trewin, of Cedar Rapids, who was Governor Cummings' chief opponent for nomination on the republican ticket two years ago.

"Well, I declare," responded the Senator, as he took off the eight and one-half size hat and looked at the inside. "I did not believe there was another man in the hotel with a head as large as mine. I beg your pardon. Senator Trewin is my name. I am practising law here."

"Indeed?" queried the stranger. "I am looking for a lawyer, and one with a head as large as mine ought to serve my purpose." He called the Senator aside and after a short conference placed in his hands the fattest case that has ever been tried in Linn County so far as fees are concerned.

The Magician's Coat.

Nearly every one has seen at some time the men of magic doing their



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Curiosity of Nature.

Chemists at one time believed that petroleum was formed in the depths of the earth by the action of water working on metallic carbons in a state of fusion. Now this statement is challenged by some geologists, who contend that petroleum is the result of the putrefaction of animals which ages ago were swallowed in enormous cataclysms, similar to that at Mount Pelee. This upheaval, says Prof. Engler, buried millions of prehistoric monsters, and during all the cycles of years that have elapsed since then the bodies of these animals have been distilled by Mother Nature in her immense laboratory beneath the earth's surface. The result of this distillation, according to this theory, is petroleum.

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The death of Elbridge G. Grover at Berlin Mills, Nov. 24, closed a long and useful career and removed one of the oldest residents of this city. Mr. Grover was a veteran of the Civil war and had been in poor health for several years previous to his death.

He was born in Newry, Me., February 26, 1832. He attended the public schools of Newry, and when thirteen years of age went to Saco, Me., where he was employed in a saw mill. When fourteen years of age he was running a gang saw in that place.

When about fifteen years of age he went to sea and followed this life for two years after which he came to this region and ran a saw in an old mill at the Cascades. This was some fifty years ago. He afterward engaged in the same line of work in different places in this region.

June 18, 1858, he was married to Miss Abby Kimball of Albany, Me., and about this time he went to Bethel. In 1861 he enlisted in the Union army as corporal and served three and one-half years. He was continuously in the service, not having a furlough during that time. He participated in the battle of Cedar Creek and many others. For two years he was stationed at New Orleans where he had charge of a body of Confederate prisoners. He returned north after his discharge and came to this city some twenty-five years ago and has since made this his home. He has been employed much of the time by the Berlin Mills Co., and has worked chiefly as a millwright.

The following children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Grover: Eugene Herbert, born 1860; George S., 1865; Linda Estella, 1868; Viola E., 1873; Betram C., 1878.

Funeral services were held in Berlin, and the remains were taken to Gorham for interment.—Berlin Reporter.

Died in Candia, New Hampshire, Dec. 4, Jacob F. Holt, aged 56 years.

Mr. Jacob F. Holt was born in Bethel, and was the son of Daniel G. and Abigail Holt. At the age of twenty-four, in 1872, he married Miss Lucie A. E. Cross of Albany, and soon after moved to Lynn, Mass. In 1886, after a severe attack of pneumonia, he moved to Candia, N. H., where he engaged in the manufacture of shoes.

Mr. Holt was an honorable, public-spirited citizen, earnest and active in every good work. He was past Grand of Providence Lodge, I. O. O. F., a member of Palestine Encampment of Lynn, Mass.; also a Past Master of Rockingham Lodge, F. and A. M., Past Patron of Adah Chapter, O. E. S.; a member of Winona Rebecca Lodge of Candia and Trinity Commandery, Knights Templar of Manchester, N. H.

Funeral services were held at his late home Tuesday the 6th, when the remains were brought to his native town, and services were held at the residence of Mrs. Holt's nephew, E. E. Cross, on Thursday, at 11 a. m., Rev. F. E. Barton conducting the service. A profusion of beautiful floral tributes, testified to the loving remembrance of many friends. Mr. Holt is survived by a widow, five sisters and four brothers. Interment was at Woodlawn Cemetery, the brother acting as bearers.

Died in Cooper, Mich., Dec. 3, S. Matilda Grover, wife of William T. Chamberlain.

She fitted for a teacher under the instruction of Dr. N. T. Tru-

Choice Christmas Presents.

In addition to my regular select stock of Fancy Goods, Stationery, Books, Periodicals, Pictures and Frames, Vases and choice pieces of China, Toys, etc., I have the following

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Toilet and Manicure Sets, Jewel Cases, Work Boxes, Lap Tablets, Velvet Brushes, Mirrors, Trays, Perfumes, Fancy Box Stationery, Book Registers, Line-a-day Books, Address Books, Christmas Booklets and Cards.

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Shaving Cases, Military Brushes, Clothes and Hat Brushes, Smokers' Sets,

Shaving Mirrors, Shaving Paper Cases, Necktie and Collar Boxes, Traveling Cases, Ash Trays in great variety,

For Children.

Games, Dolls, and Doll Carriages, Go-Carts, Doll Heads, Doll Houses, Doll Furniture, Iron Toys, TOY Bureaus, Sideboards, Chiffoniers, Tables, Stoves, Blocks, Watches, Pianos,

For the Desk.

Stationery, all grades, Pens, Fancy Penholders, Pen Trays, Ink Wells, Paper Weights, Paper Knives, Postal Scales, Fancy Pencils, Pen Wipers, Perpetual Calendars.

For the Home.

Vases, Candleholders, Dutch Match Holders, Local Views, hand-colored, Baskets, for all purposes, Guest Books, Art Calendars, etc.

Candles, Tinsel, Cornucopias and Other Christmas Tree Decorations.

MISS L. C. HALL, Cole Block, BETHEL, MAINE.

and taught a few terms of school in Bethel, but having a desire to see more of the world, she went, when a young woman, to Michigan and engaged there as a teacher. She will be remembered by a few of the older people of Bethel, and in the State of her adoption she will be mourned by a large circle of friends, as she was kind and charitable to those in need.

Revolution Imminent.

A sure sign of approaching revolt and serious trouble in your system is nervousness, sleeplessness, or stomach upsets. Electric Bitters will quickly dismember the troublesome causes. It never fails to tone the stomach, regulate the Kidneys and Bowels, stimulate the Liver, and clarify the blood. Run down systems benefit particularly and all the usual attending aches vanish under its searching and thorough effectiveness. Electric Bitters is only 50c, and that is returned if it don't give perfect satisfaction. Guaranteed by all Druggists.

Summer Home for Insane.

One of the most novel schemes in the treatment of insane patients ever tried in Maine bids fair to be utilized at another summer season by which the convalescent patients of the Bangor and Augusta hospitals will be given a summer outing on Widow's Island sixteen miles east of Rockland.

At the time of the Spanish-American war the federal government built a fine brick structure on the island, intending to use it as a marine hospital should occasion arise. It was never furnished and it is now at the disposal of the State should the State care to use it. It was for the purpose of inspecting the building that the trustees of the State Insane hospitals made a visit to the island Tuesday of last week, on a tug chartered for the purpose.

On the island was found a brick building which ex-Governor Robie described as being the equal of any hospital in Portland. The building is large enough to accommodate from fifty to seventy-five patients in good shape. It is advocated that parties of convalescents be taken to the island during the summer months and given an outing after their long months of confinement in the hospitals.

The island is a barren affair of five or six acres and an ideal place for the purpose. Some of the summer residents of North Haven might not like the idea of having an old hospital utilized for that purpose and may be heard from should the project receive favorable consideration from the trustees.

Nothing will be done about the matter at the present time although it will probably be one of the subjects to come up for consideration at the annual meeting of the board at Augusta the last of this month.

For a number of years past the convalescent patients at the Augusta hospital have been given a day's trip to the Isle of Springs, a small island in Sheepscot bay on an excursion steamer and a few have been taken there for a longer time but on rare occasions.

The members of the board of trustees in Rockland Tuesday were: Hon. Frederick Robie and Mrs. Robie of Gorham, Herbert T. Powers, Esq. of Fort Fairfield, Charles E. Field of Bangor, Hon. George E. Macomber of Augusta, Judge E. E. Chase of Bluehill, and Mrs. Oramandel Smith of Litchfield.—Press.

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Wanted and Wanted Bad.

I am making a selection of the choicest gems of poetry and would most earnestly invite the assistance of my friends in the accomplishment of my purpose. Many of those for which I am especially desirous may be found in the school books of our fathers and grandfathers' days or in our mothers' or grandmothers' scrap books. If any of the readers of the News who may be in possession of any such material will communicate with me they will confer a lasting favor. Any books which you may have containing choice selections or any clippings which you may have retained and which you are willing to place in my hands will be carefully preserved and returned.

E. C. BOWLER,

Bethel, Me., Dec. 14, 1904.

NORTH ALBANY.

C. P. Pingree has two men cutting wood.

Mrs. F. H. Bennett has returned from Norway, where she has been caring for her son who has been ill with rheumatic fever. He is some better, but is unable to walk without crutches.

Alice Rolf has been at Bangs Waterford, assisting her sister, Mrs. Philip Rolf.

Mr. and Mrs. George Rolf spent Saturday and Sunday at Bangs Waterford.

Ed Rolf has two men cutting brush in his woods.

Burt Brown has three men cutting wood and timber for him.

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other phase of it he touched upon the critical censorious nature of their practice. It is the carping, critical, fault-finding, censorious spirit which He condemns.

There are so many who have this most unhappy habit of seeing the faults and errors of others, and are ever ready to sit in judgment upon them, but seldom if ever, even suspect that they may be guilty of an equal fault, when if the truth were known, the object of their accusation might well say "Those who live in glass houses should never throw stones."

So much pleasure and gratification which should come through an earnest quest for the good that can be found in everybody, is lost to all those who are always looking with critical eyes, listening with critical ears, and a disposition trained to the censorious spirit which the Master condemns. Every human eye that sees has a mote in it that obstructs the vision, and some visions are dimmed by even a beam, which is worse.

So while we must be keenly alive to great moral distinctions, and while we must sometimes speak our judgments, we must recognize always that our decision is necessarily more or less faulty. Every man's knowledge of a moral standard is more or less faulty and his ability to reach it depends largely upon his birth and his early training, and at this point heredity enters the problem. We must remember that there are some limitations to perfect freedom. Every one of us has received a certain inheritance from the past. We do not come into this world with equal moral endowments, though in the great essentials we may have equal possibilities which are to reach their culmination only after many generations of progress.

We are hampered or helped somewhat by the influences of the past—the influences that have predominated in the lives of those who were before us. A boy may come into the world bearing the discord and the intemperance which an impetuous, impassionate father and a peevish, improvident mother gave him, and another comes into the world in a home where strong manhood and gentle womanhood have united to give him the choicest gifts and most gracious influence. Now, we cannot say that the first boy will surely go wrong and the second will surely go right. It is impossible to reckon the course from the early start. But the probabilities are that the two lives will for a time likely diverge in the direction of their first tendency. Suppose they do, the first boy becoming an intemperate, thriftless man. The second grows up to manhood, retains his social standing and his character is marked by no flagrant fault. One has become a man whose life is very imperfect; the life of the other is better than the average. But in our judgment let us be sure that we consider well just how far the inheritance of birth has entered into this difference.

One is impulsive and improvident, the other calm, careful, and self-controlled. Sometimes one goes on a spree, and the latter not satisfied with a good measure of success adopts an underhanded method and cleverly cheats his competitors in business. Society calls one man a drunkard and the other a great financier; but the recording angel judges otherwise, and he who was born to better things doubtless receives the greater condemnation.

So he, often, who does a grave wrong, and yet struggles even in doing it against the inborn tendencies of his being, this man is far less to be blamed than is the man who, born to nobleness surrenders himself to envy, selfishness and greed that is cloaked and hidden under the guise of cleverness and skill.

We have no right to severely condemn another until we know the influences that have surrounded him. Very often the white soul may be found in her, who born to evil tendencies and influences by superiors in power and attraction, caught in snares by some cloaked lion of society, and in one who,

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Bald? Scalp shiny and thin? Then it's probably too late. You neglected dandruff. If you had only taken our advice, you would have cured

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the dandruff, saved your hair, and added much to it. If not entirely bald, now is your opportunity. Improve it.

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Good Hair

sheltered and shielded by the safe guards of society and home, has a selfish envious disposition and resorts to many illegitimate means of self-aggrandizement and meets no harsh censure in human judgment.

If we had one moral standard perfectly clear and fixed, and then if each one were born with the same amount of ability to come up to the standard, surrounded by the same circumstances, then all moral values and issues could be settled very quickly. But the fact remains that neither of these things is true. Each observes things from a little different standpoint from what all others observe them. We are much agreed upon the great essential elements in the moral ideal, but in all its details we differ. What seems right to one man seems wrong to another; until you know our standard your judgment of us cannot possibly be just.

The slums of the city and certain localities in the country give one man his moral ideal, the culture and wealth of a home give another to the daughter of the rich man—they are both but faulty ideals of the one perfect measure.

We can never know the amount of real struggle which has entered into the effort made by any one else to come up to his moral standard. A man, weak and fearful, may have won a great victory without giving evidence of it. We see the defeats and not the victories of others. The failures are evident and the successes unnoticed.

"Who made the heart, 'Tis He alone Decidedly can try us; He knows each chord, its various tone, Each spring its various bias. Then at the balance let's be true. We never can adjust it, What's done we partly may compute, But know not what's resisted."

And we should remember that it would be absurd to try to help an overloaded horse by heaping more burdens on him. So, we cannot help in the world's work by throwing stuff in the way of another who is struggling with his part. Without the dialect of Robert Burns we close with one of his wisest verses:

"In men, whom men pronounce as ill, I find so much of goodness still; In men whom men pronounce divine, I find so much of sin and blot. I hesitate to draw the line Between the two where God has not."

A. D. C.

Fight Will be Bitter.

Those who will persist in closing their ears against the continual recommendation of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, will have a long and bitter fight with their troubles, if not ended earlier by fatal termination. Read what T. R. Beall, Miss, has to say: "Last fall my wife had every symptom of consumption. She took Dr. King's New Discovery after everything else had failed. Improvement came at once and four bottles entirely cured her." Guaranteed by all Druggists. Price 50c, and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

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WEST BETHEL.

All the Latest News from Our Near Neighbors.

The Androscoggin is bridged with ice.

If this is autumn, as astronomers tell us, what will winter be?

Mercury has been near the lowest figures during the past week.

Charles A. Dunham is working for W. D. Mills in "the village smithy."

The drouth grows more severe, shallow streams being changed to solid ice.

Boston daily papers are sold in the stores of J. E. Pike and A. J. Haskell.

Harry N. Mills and family have moved a short distance, now occupying the house recently vacated by H. E. Mason.

But little birch large enough for spool-strips is used as fuel, and the man who has a cord to sell feels quite independent.

Mrs. Harry Seeley was transferred from the Maine General Hospital to Lewiston, and has there passed safely through a surgical operation.

Francis D. Mills is our village newsboy on Saturdays, and is meeting with good success in selling Chicago papers. We hope his business may steadily increase.

Deer may now boldly venture from their places of concealment without fear of the deadly rifle, but wild hares must beware of the sportsmen's shot guns until April 1, when they too, will be under law-ful protection.

A Frightened Horse,

Running like mad down the street dumping the occupants, or a hundred other accidents, are every day occurrences. It behooves everybody to have a reliable Salve handy and there's none as good as Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

Burns, Cuts, Sores, Eczema, and Piles disappear quickly under its soothing effect. 25c at all Drug Stores. B

NORTH NORWAY.

F. A. Hunt, letter carrier from Brooklyn, N. Y., who has been visiting his family here, has returned to New York.

Flora Cummings is nursing Mrs. Dr. Haskell, Oxford village.

Horace Hussey is taking care of Leroy Merriam.

School at Swift's Corner taught by Mary Merrill began the 12th. School in Chapel district has been postponed, as no place can be found to board the teacher.

Mrs. George Abbott has returned from her trip to Upton.

Winslow Marston who was found unconscious in the road from the effects of a shock, is much better.

When you want a pleasant purgative, try Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They are easy to take and produce no nausea, griping or other disagreeable effect.

For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel; E. L. Tebbets, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead.

GROVER HILL.

Very cold weather. Browne Brothers are busily engaged cutting cord wood, yarding shovel handle blocks, etc.

Clyde Whitman assisted F. Bennett in hauling out his shovel blocks, and also cut the ash-tree tops into cord wood for him.

Eugene Phillips and Grover Johnson, who have been in the employ of Mr. Moses Goodwin since mid-summer, have gone to their homes at East Holden and Bucksport, on a vacation.

Gwendolyn Stearns closes a fourteen weeks' term of school in Dummer, and will return home this week.

Mr. Moses Goodwin and crew will work A. B. Grover's timber ext, after finishing True Browne's.

Removes the microbes which improve the blood and circulation. Stops all trouble that interferes with nutrition. That's what Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will do.

G. R. WILEY.

SOUTH PARIS NEWS.

Local and Personal Items From Our Shire Town.

Miss Ruth Pratt of Orange, N. J., who has been attending the Paris High school during the fall term, has returned to her home to spend the two weeks' vacation. Her cousin, Eva F. Swett, accompanied her.

The Good Cheer Society gave a supper in the church vestry Tuesday evening. It was followed by a farce entitled "Our Awful Aunt." This was followed by a sociable.

Manager George Morton of the Paris Mfg. Company have been in Canada buying lumber.

Miss Elsie Bolster is clerking in her father's store.

J. M. Murch went to Augusta, Wednesday.

Lola Lane of West Paris was a guest of Olive C. Swett over Sunday.

Miss Belle Corbett is boarding at Wert Stanley's.

Miss King of Athol, Mass., is a guest of Mrs. George I. Burnham.

Roy H. Curtis is taking a course in Shaw's Business College, Portland.

The Misses Maude and Mildred Parlin went to Portland, Sunday.

J. P. Richardson has had a citizens' telephone put into his house.

Paris High school closed the fall term Friday, for a vacation of two weeks.

W. B. Young is working in Summer.

Walter L. Bonney has sold his house on Porter street to Elmer B. Austin of Buckfield.

Myron W. Maxim shot a deer at Wild River last week.

Rev. D. F. Nelson of West Paris, and Rev. Howard A. Clifford exchanged pulpits last Sunday.

The teams of A. W. Walker & Son have gone to Summer for the winter's cutting of lumber and wood. Percy M. Walker is in charge.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Jackson of Melrose, Mass., are guests of J. P. Richardson and wife.

L. P. Swett and wife of Molunkus were guests of Benjamin Swett and wife over Sunday.

S. H. Pendleton of Bates College will supply the pulpit at the Baptist church next Sunday.

The former board of officers were re-elected at the annual meeting of the Riverside Cemetery Association which was held Saturday afternoon. They are:

Sec. and Treas.—H. N. Bolster.
Trustees—Geo. A. Wilson, W. S. Farrar, J. S. Wright.

Paris Grange on Saturday elected and installed the following officers:

Master—O. K. Clifford.
Overseer—Howard A. Swan.
Lecturer—Geo. S. Boutelle.
Asst. Steward—Leon A. Brooks.
Chaplain—George Chapman.
Treasurer—Walter Twitchell.
Secretary—S. E. Jackson.
Gate Keeper—Lawrin Whitman.
Cores—Lizzie Clifford.
Flora—Rose Swan.
Pomona—Lizzie Boutelle.
Lady Asst. Steward—Mrs. Rose Brooks.

Librarian—Mabel Whitman.
Chorister—Mrs. H. P. Hammond.

The ladies of the Congregational circle opened their fair Wednesday afternoon. The church vestry was prettily decorated and many and fancy were the sale tables. There was a table where eatables were sold, and an ice cream table; also a fancy and two miscellaneous tables. On the platform at a table, punch and crackers were served. The entertainment Wednesday evening consisted of music by Carl Briggs, violin, Carl Mason clarinet, and Mrs. Cora Briggs, piano. Thursday evening a supper, followed by an entertainment was given.

All schools in town open for the winter term Tuesday, Dec. 27. Teachers are assigned as follows: Shurtleff Primary, Emma Shurtleff; Porter St. Primary, Hattie M. Leach; Pleasant St. Primary, Dora M. Stevens; grades 3 and 4, Mar-ble Walker; grades 5 and 6, Florence Richardson; grades 7 and 8,

Susie M. Wheeler; grade 8, Iva L. McArdle; Hill Grammar, Albert W. Austin; Hill Primary, Una P. Taylor; West Paris Grammar, Olive Swett; West Paris Primary, Ethel Howe; Webber, Lola A. Lane; Biscoe, Marjorie Penley; Porter, Helen R. Cole; North Paris, Blanch Penley; Tuell, Nina A. Bradford; Partridge, Horatis Hammond; Whittemore, Harold T. Briggs; Mountain, Florence Tufts; Tubbs, Margaret Stearns; King, Ruth I. Stearns; Hollow, Charlotte Giles.

A Costly Mistake.

Blunders are sometimes very expensive. Occasionally life itself is the price of a mistake, but you'll never be wrong if you take Dr. King's New Life Pills for Dyspepsia, Dizziness, Headache, Liver or Bowel troubles. They are gentle yet thorough. 25c, at all Drug Stores.

BRYANT POND.

Mr. Albion Bowker received word, last week, that his son, Oscar F. Bowker, had been severely injured in an electric car collision.

Ralph Bacon and Edward Peverly returned to their school in Bethel, Monday night.

The village High school, after several weeks' vacation, is again in session with the same instructor as last term.

Mrs. Will Morse has been ill for the past two weeks. Her mother is caring for her.

Miss Georgie Crockett spent a day in Norway, recently.

"Millie, the Quadroon," is to be presented, Thursday evening, at the Dudley Opera House by the members of the Eastern Star order.

Mrs. Henry Braden, formerly of this village, now of Andover, who has been visiting old friends here, returned to Rumford, Monday night.

George L. Stephens and Harry Bates were in Portland one day last week.

Mrs. D. D. Peverley has returned from her visit in Massachusetts. She was the guest of her uncle, Dr. A. J. Gallison at Franklin. She also visited at Brockton, Everett, Lynn, Roxbury and Quincy, and spent a week with her daughter, Mrs. Elliott, at Berwick, Maine.

Mr. Eugene Hodgdon and Rueben Whitman were injured in the hand-car accident at Oxford, last Friday.

Miss Helen Cushman who has been the guest of her brother in Gorham, N. H., has returned home.

Mrs. Frank Cushman recently spent a week with her mother in Greene.

MARSHALL DISTRICT.

The many friends of Fred Hazeltine, regret to learn that he is obliged to go to the hospital to receive treatment for his ankle which he cut quite badly while working in the woods about a week ago.

S. O. Grover of Mason, was at George Briggs' one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Goodwin and little Lulu May visited at G. W. Briggs' recently.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Briggs wish to thank the neighbors and friends who gathered together to help them spend a pleasant evening on the tenth anniversary of their wedding life, also for the many gifts which will be pleasant reminders of the evening.

The names of those who gave presents were: Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Fernald and Mr. and Mrs. Alton Fernald, water set; Mr. and Mrs. Hazeltine; crash; Mr. and Mrs. Lute Andrews; cup and saucer; Mrs. Nellie Flint, pair of towels; Mrs. Myra Lord, cup and saucer; Mr. J. H. Cummings and Misses Cummings, glass pitcher and sugar bowl; Mrs. Charles Beekler, toilet soap; Mr. and Mrs. I. Beckler, crash; Mr. and Mrs. Abel Andrews, a book; Mr. and Mrs. McNalley, glass butter dish; Baby McNalley, a dish, Mr. Chase and Mrs. Kimball, towels; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Strickland, vase and urn; Herbert Wheeler, can of coffee; Alice Cole, colander; Mrs. Minnie Phillips, money; Fred Wheeler and Miss Merlie Philbrook wash-bowl and pitcher. Mr. Briggs presented Mrs. Briggs with a very pretty lamp. There were other presents with no names attached.

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The Kind You Have Always Bought

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DO YOU GET UP WITH A LAME BACK?

Kidney Trouble Makes You Miserable.

Almost everybody who reads the newspapers is sure to know of the wonderful cures made by Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy.

It is the great medicinal triumph of the nineteenth century; discovered after years of scientific research by Dr. Kilmer, the eminent kidney and bladder specialist, and is

wonderfully successful in promptly curing lame back, kidney, bladder, uric acid troubles and Bright's Disease, which is the worst form of kidney trouble.

Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is not recommended for everything but if you have kidney, liver or bladder trouble it will be found just the remedy you need. It has been tested in so many ways, in hospital work, in private practice, among the helpless too poor to purchase relief and has proved so successful in every case that a special arrangement has been made by which all readers of this paper who have not already tried it, may have a sample bottle sent free by mail, also a book telling more about Swamp-Root and how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble.

When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghampton, N. Y. The regular fifty cent and Home of Swamp-Root dollar sizes are sold by all good druggists.

Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghampton, N. Y., on every bottle.

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Watch the Snow Storms.

As we remember it there were thirteen snowstorms last winter, the first falling upon the thirteenth of November. It perhaps is merely a coincidence that the first snow of the present season came on the same day of the month. There is an old saying that the number of snowstorms of the year is governed by the day of the month on which the first one occurs. This fact at least will furnish some amusement in watching to see if the old saying will again come true this year.—York Transcript.

Beware of Counterfeits.

"DeWitt's is the only genuine Witch Hazel Salve" writes J. L. Tucker, of Centre, Ala. "I have used it in my family for Piles, Cuts, and Burns for years and can recommend it to be the best Salve on the market. Every family should keep it, as it is an invaluable household remedy, and should always be kept on hand for immediate use." Mrs. Samuel Gage, of North Bury, N. Y., says: "I had a feverish son on my ankle for twelve years that the doctors could not cure. All salves and blood remedies proved worthless. I could not walk for over two years. Finally I was persuaded to try DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, which has completely cured me. It is a wonderful relief." DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cures without leaving a scar. Sold by G. R. Wiley. D. W.

STARK, N. H.

Little Oliver Day is boarding with Mrs. Llewellyn Crafts.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Leighton are rejoicing over the birth of a ten pound daughter.

Riley Lunn is sawing wood for Seth Cole.

Ira Cole is night watchman at the new mill.

George Maguire is on the sick list.

Miss Hodgdon of Berlin, was in town, Thursday.

Frank Miles has sold his gasoline engine to Charles Hodgdon.

Joseph Cote has taken a logging job near Nashstream.

Herman Maguire who was hurt by a horse kicking him while working in Randolph, is under the care of Dr. Hodgman of West Milan.

Rev. W. P. White was in West Milan, Thursday.

News has been received of the marriage of James W. Bean of Groveton, and Mrs. Dora Hinds formerly of this place.

Miss Alice Laughlin closed a very successful term of school, Dec. 8. Scholars and parents both desire her return to teach the next term.

Mrs. Niel McKinnon is boarding with Mrs. Falkenham while her husband is working in the woods.

Miss Maud Thompson who has been visiting in town, has returned to Philadelphia, accompanied by her grandmother, Mrs. Sarah Thompson who will spend the winter there.

Osman Wheeler has moved his family into Mrs. Thompson's rent.

Mr. and Mrs. Rowe of Northumberland, visited their daughter, Mrs. Wm. Holbrook, last week.

R. R. Cole got his foot jammed, last week, by pulpwood falling on it.

Mrs. Rush of Dummer, has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. S. Crockett.

Mrs. Eldora Pike is visiting her sister in Portland.

Mrs. Caher was in Groveton shopping, Saturday.

Miss A. R. Laughlin left for her home in Concord, Friday. She has accepted a position for the winter at Croydon, N. H.

Herbert Stewart spent Sunday with his family at West Milan.

Mrs. Lydia Larrabee died at the home of her son Albert, December 4.

Ovid Fladeau is working in Milan.

Bert Emery went to Colebrook recently, to conduct a party in search of Mr. Parson who was lost in the woods.

A Pleasant Pill.
No Pill is as pleasant and positive as DeWitt's Little Early Risers. DeWitt's Little Early Risers are so mild and effective that children, delicate ladies and weak people enjoy their cleansing effect, while strong people say they are the best liver pills sold. Sold by G. R. Wiley. D. W.

WANT COLUMN.

Notice.

Anyone desiring to purchase a large crib in good condition, will do well to address box 164, Bethel, or enquire at the News office.

WANTED—American women between 18 and 30 years of age to work as attendants in the Medfield Training Asylum at Medfield Junction, Mass., 20 miles from Boston. Wages increase with length of service. An opportunity to become a trained nurse. Address, Dr. EDWARD FRENCH, Medfield, Mass.

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To introduce and sell "Sunshine," the best furniture polish in the world. It sells on sight. You can make money this winter. For particulars write, OREN HOOPER'S SONS, Portland, Me.

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We will pay cash for Hemlock Bark delivered at any railroad station within a radius of 100 miles of our factory at Canton. Communicate with L. W. Smith Co., Canton, Maine.

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Teachers for graded and ungraded schools. Write to THE MAINE TEACHERS' AGENCY, Bethel, Maine.

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I wish to give notice that I have hired the Blacksmith Shop of J. C. Billings and am prepared to do Horse Shoeing and Jobbing; have had large practice in city work Call and see me.

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For Sale.

One set traverse sleds in good condition: These sleds were used but one season and are a good trade for someone. Apply to CHARLES H. GATES, Prospect Inn, Bethel, Me.

Wanted.

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Doan's Kidney Pills Brought Strength and Health to the Sufferer, Making Him Feel Twenty-Five Years Younger.

Sick kidneys cause a weak, lame or aching back, and a weak back makes a weak man. Can't be well and strong until the kidneys are cured. Treat them with Doan's Kidney Pills. Here's the testimony of one man cured.



J. B. CORTON.

I could have raised ten pounds of weight from the ground, the pain was so severe. This was my condition when I began using Doan's Kidney Pills. They quickly relieved me and now I am never troubled as I was. My back is strong and I can walk or ride a long distance and feel just as strong as I did twenty-five years ago. I think so much of Doan's Kidney Pills that I have given a supply of the remedy to some of my neighbors and they have also found good results. If you can sift anything from this rambling note that will be of any service to you, or to any one suffering from kidney trouble, you are at liberty to do so.

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine which cured Mr. Corton will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Sold by all dealers; price, fifty cents per box.

RUMFORD FALLS.

John K. Forham of Canton is to have charge of the Rumford Center corn factory.

Clarence Spencer who has been employed in town for some time past, has accepted a position in a shoe shop in Augusta.

The average attendance of the Methodist Sunday school for November was 102.

Miss Grace Reed and Miss Wyman are stopping at F. P. Bartlett's for a few days.

Fred Stillman has taken the contract to haul the Sunday papers from Bryant Pond to this town.

Miss Grace Bennick of Boston has been called home on account of the severe illness of her mother.

John A. Decker has been in Milinocket for the past week looking over his property. He intends to build a brick block south of his present building next spring.

Mrs. Payson Smith who, underwent a surgical operation in Auburn a week ago, is fast improving in health.

J. J. Bell and G. H. Cobb are to be the next deputy sheriffs of Rumford Falls.

Be Quick.

Not a minute should be lost when a child shows symptoms of croup. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the croupy cough appears, will prevent the attack. It never fails, and is pleasant and safe to take.

For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; E. L. Tebbets, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel.

The Eucalyptus Secret.

The gigantic California variety of the Eucalyptus tree counteracts malaria: How, botanists have often wondered, since the foliage is scanty and not aromatic enough to affect the atmosphere. Fresno County experimenters now incline to the opinion that the prescription exerts its effects under ground, and that any large tree (cottonwood, Texas pecan, etc.) will do the same by forcing its network of roots through the subsoil and thus draining off the moisture of the surface strata.—Health Culture.

Head About to Burst From Severe Bilious Attack.

"I had a severe bilious attack and felt like my head was about to burst when I got hold of a free sample of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. I took a dose of them after supper and the next day felt like a new man and have been feeling happy ever since," says Mr. J. W. Smith of Julliff, Texas. For biliousness, stomach troubles and constipation these Tablets have no equal. Price 25 cents.

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BERLIN, N. H.

John D. Green was sentenced to thirty years at the State prison at Concord, Dec. 1, for the murder of Mrs. Mary Lockhart of West Milan, last fall.

Orders have been received at the U. S. Recruiting station in this city to open enlistments for the cavalry and infantry branches of the service. Enlistments have been made for the coast and field artillery only since August, but all four branches are now open to men desiring to enter the service. The local station which is at present in charge of Sergt. Charles T. Dickson of the recruiting service is doing a good business and it has been determined to make the station a permanent recruiting office.

Fire was discovered on the morning of Dec. 2, in the barn office of Mrs. C. M. C. Twitchell and but for the brave and wide-awake ones of Milan the barn and dwelling house would have been totally destroyed and possibly extended to neighboring buildings. Prompt action skillfully directed put out the fire in half an hour and the family were able to re-settle the goods in the home without fear of further annoyance. The men have the sincere thanks of the family for their brave and successful deed.

Mrs. A. K. Murdock, Mrs. J. Howard Wight, Mrs. Quincy Bridges, Mrs. Lizzie M. Fortner-gill, Mrs. J. P. Doby and Mrs. Thomas Mahern were in Lancaster last week in attendance at a meeting of the White Mountain Temple, Rathbone Sisters.

Willis Quigg has returned to his home in Rumford Falls, after a month's visit with his aunt, Mrs. John Coyle.

Mrs. George F. Lovett has returned to her home in Glen Falls, N. Y.

Mrs. Jennie McDonald of Jefferson Highlands visited friends here last week.

Mrs. F. E. Farwell of the Berlin House, returned last week from Michigan, where she has been receiving medical treatment for several weeks past.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Clarke returned Tuesday evening from Auburn, Me., where they were called by the sickness and death of Mr. Clarke's mother, Mrs. Sarah J. Clarke.

RECTOR OF ST. LUKE'S,

Ashburnham, Ontario, Testifies to the Good Qualities of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

ASHBURNHAM, Ont., April 18, 1903.—I think it is only right that I should tell you what a wonderful effect Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has produced. The day before Easter I was so distressed with a cold and cough that I did not think to be able to take any duties the next day, as my voice was almost choked by the cough. The same day I received an order from you for a bottle of your Cough Remedy. I at once procured a sample bottle, and took about three doses of the medicine. To my great relief the cough and cold had completely disappeared and I was able to preach three times on Easter Day. I know that this rapid and effective cure was due to your Cough Remedy. I make this testimonial without solicitation, being thankful to have found such a God-sent remedy. Respectfully yours,
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To Preserve Glen Ellis Falls.

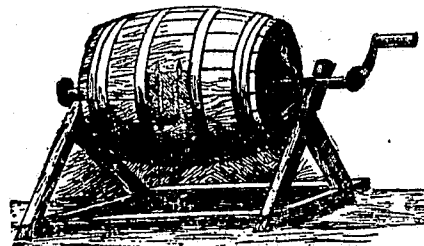
Harvey N. Shepard of Boston and H. P. Kelcey of Salem, Mass., who were in Gorham, N. H., last week in the interest of the Appalachian club of which the two gentlemen are prominent members, looked over the region in the vicinity of Glen Ellis Falls with a view to recommending the purchase of sufficient land to insure the preservation of this natural wonder. They were very much pleased with the place and very favorably disposed to the purchase which they will probably recommend to the club upon their return. The lumber companies who control the land in the vicinity have signified their willingness to sell a territory surrounding the falls to the club.

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For Piles, Burns, Sores.

ROOT WASHERS.

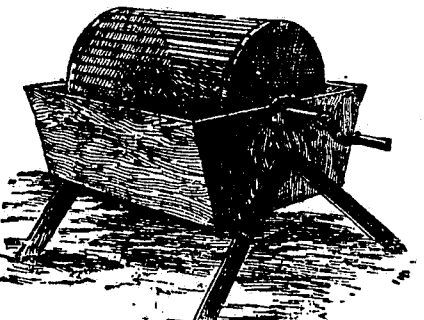
Two Good Ones at Quite a Low Cost.

It frequently happens that farmers are obliged to harvest potatoes, turnips and other roots when the ground is quite wet, and, as a consequence, so much earth adheres to them as to render them unfit for marketing or feeding to stock. This is especially the case where the soil is clayey and sticks like plaster; it is then almost impossible to remove it without washing each root or tuber separately. This disagreeable task may be eased and facilitated considerably by using the contrivance shown in figure 1. It consists of a kerene barrel hung in a frame, as shown in the illustration. Two openings are made in one side of the barrel—a large one, two broad staves wide, and a small one only one



ROOT WASHER.

inch wide. The pieces cut out are used for lids, both of which are fastened with hinges and buttons, and are made to fit tight by having thick cloth tacked around their edges. Half a bushel of potatoes or roots are placed in the barrel with two or three buckets of water, the lids are closed and buttoned, and the barrel is slowly turned. If they are very dirty, open the small aperture, and by turning the barrel back and forth allow the water and mud to run out. Add clean water and turn again. They will soon be cleansed, when the large aperture may be opened, and the roots or tubers emptied into a basket. The fastenings at each end of the barrel can be made by any blacksmith, and they should be bolted on with one-quarter or three-eighths inch bolts. With this simple contrivance a man can wash a large quantity of roots in a day without catching cold or a chill. If kept out of the sun such a contrivance will last a lifetime. In figure 2 is shown an easily made potato and vegetable



VEGETABLE WASHER.

table washer for household use. The ends of the cylinder are cut out of inch board and are twelve inches in diameter. The shaft runs through and has collars, to which the ends of the cylinders are fastened to hold them firm. Strong, bright wires are fastened from end to end, as seen in the illustration. Five of these are fastened together, and form the lid to the aperture through which articles are admitted. The end of the lid is fastened by means of a loop, which springs over a button. The vegetables to be washed are placed in the cylinder, the box is half filled with water, and by turning the crank, or moving it back and forth, they are quickly cleansed without making cold fingers. An ordinary tub or a half barrel arranged as seen in figure 3, may be used for the same purpose.

A Remarkable Hen Story.

For steady and continuous laying it is doubtful if there are any hens in the world to equal those of a suburban banker. This gentleman tells with great satisfaction a story that illustrates well the almost incredible prowess in egg-laying of his hens. "Some time ago," he will begin, "an egg was left for a nest egg in the place where my hens lay. This nest egg, the other day, hatched, and I have now one lonely little chick, which several dozen mothers care for. Here is the explanation of this miracle: My hens are such steady layers that one would not sooner get off the nest egg, having deposited a fresh egg beside it, than another would slip on, and in her turn lay. Thus by dozens of different mothers the solitary egg was hatched. Though no one hen 'sat' or 'clocked' on it, nevertheless it was kept always warm, and in due time there stepped forth from it a lonely but vigorous little chick."—Philadelphia Record.

Farm Machinery.

Even a small farm must have more or less machinery, while on a large one the investment must be heavy. Under any conditions more machinery will be destroyed by rust than by wear. A little care will prevent this. Melt together over a gentle fire a pound of lard free from salt and a lump of rosin about the size of a hickory nut. When the whole is melted remove it from the stove, and stir it slowly until cold. Keep this covered from dust. Whenever any machine, from an apple parer to a thrashing machine, is out of use, clean it by scraping with a wooden knife whittled from any hard wood, use an old woolen rag and rub over every part liable to rust with this compound; give all such parts a thin coating.

Keep a few panes of window glass and a paper of tacks or some putty on hand. When the window pane is broken, don't makeshift; replace it.

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BOATS BUILT BY SAVAGES.

South Sea Islanders Experts in Constructing Vessels.

In the Marshall group of islands in the south seas is a little tall of coral known as Likieb atoll.

About 40 years ago a Portuguese sailor was landed there from a whaling ship.

Soon he married the daughter of a chief and became a trader. After many years an American captain visited the islands during a trading voyage in the south seas, and when his vessel shortly afterward became unseaworthy he set to work on the beach to build a new one.

The Portuguese whaler's two sons helped him and learned a great deal about the operation. The island had fine hard wood on it, just the kind of timber that shipbuilders value, because it will not rot or waterlog readily. The captain at last succeeded in finishing a good 40-ton schooner and sailed away in her.

Before long the two boys had begun to teach the natives something of what they had picked up, and soon instead of the primitive canoes and dugouts that the Marshall Islanders had been using for centuries, the folk of the Likieb atoll began to build canoes made of carefully fashioned timber and pinned together with rivets.

Now there is a real shipyard on this little speck lost in the wide Pacific. A high roof under the palms on the beach greets the mariner, and when he lands he sees vessels on stocks, modern tools lying around and everything looking just as it does in a shipyard anywhere on the American coast; only instead of workmen in overalls he sees dark natives with hardly any clothing.

If a chief wants a schooner of say, 12 tons, built for him, they charge him \$1,000 for it; but if a poorer person wants the same kind of a vessel they will charge many hundred dollars less. They do this quite openly, and explain it by saying that the chief, being rich, can afford to pay more than a poor person can for the same thing.—Washington Post.

Fashion Cure for Embonpoint.

If you know a lady, or, for that matter, a gentleman, whose composure and pleasure in life has been seriously disturbed by what is sometimes euphemistically termed "a tendency to embonpoint," advise her, if she has not already discovered it for herself, that the fashionable cure of this season consists in using the breath-winding skipping rope. Of course, most adipose people, like the rest of us, have already had a certain amount of practice in literary skipping; it was for this that popular novels and "human interest" editorials were invented. But the exercise thus obtained is, as a rule, somewhat less violent, somewhat more sedentary than that afforded by a rope and a shady spot in the back yard. Perhaps this skipping mania is only a passing fad, for, truthfully, it's a less exciting sport than golf or canoeing; yet while it lasts it is an excellent thing for people who insist on good form to try on.—Boston Transcript.

Black Skin and Sun Protection.

On the bare arm paint a broad line in Indian ink and expose the arm to the strong sunshine. A slight inflammation sets in on the unprotected skin, but not under the black paint, which excludes the light rays (but, of course, not the heat rays).

Some days after the skin is darker (sunburned), except where the Indian ink was painted, where is a white line in the skin. Exposing the arm again, the inflammation sets in only in the white line.

The brown pigment caused by the sun (sunburned) at the first exposure protects the skin against the chemical rays. Therefore are negroes black, and travelers of white skin may protect themselves in the tropics from the sun by black or red paint.—London News.

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Why the World Wants Peace.

In the midst of war, the world is turning toward peace. Now the Christmas holidays approach and "peace and good-will among men" has something more than sentiment and tradition to rest upon. The prayer for peace that comes swelling from all over the earth, with a volume which fairly gives the weight of a demand or command, is now a living, vital force in the affairs of all the civilized nations. In Christendom to-day there is no more significant and promising fact than this. There is developing with giant strides a world public opinion, and it is a world-opinion which makes for peace. More and more the masterful peoples are coming to look upon war as barbarism, as a relic of the savage age, as a cruel and destructive monstrosity wholly unworthy to survive in our modern civilization.

It seems an anomaly to talk of universal peace while one of the bloodiest wars of modern times is in progress. But the carnage which has marked this great struggle in the far East is the very thing that has given momentum to the current movement to stop wars. Lihao-Yang, Shaho, Port Arthur, have shocked the sensibilities of the world. They have roused a public sentiment everywhere. The peace movement is no longer confined to the dreamers and the sentimentalists, worthy host that pioneered the way; it has spread far and wide, till it has embraced the men who do the world's work, the men of commerce and finance, the men who have their hands upon the throbbles of the great industrial machine, the men who pay the taxes that are swallowed up in war, the men of journalism, of the pulpit, of the periodical press, the men of leadership in action and in thought. It has found its way into the royal palaces, the presidents' houses, the chancelleries, the foreign offices, the State departments of the powers. We may justly say that its growth and its promise together form the most notable world-event of the year that is now drawing to a close. It would be unwise to delude ourselves with the hope that war is impossible, that universal peace has spread her white wings over all the earth, that henceforth the civilized world is to be free of conflict and carnage. The millennium has not come. But it is true that the hazard of war breaking out has been sensibly lessened, and that the horrors which accompany it are sure to be minimized if and when it comes.

—Review of Reviews.

A Place of Rest.

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Youthful in years, but of determined spirit, was the little Bowdoinham girl who was required to write a composition on the seasons. Much displeased at her task, when driven to it, she produced the following unique article. "There are four seasons, spring, summer autumn and winter. Some like one best, and some like another; but for my part give me liberty, or give me death!"

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Port Arthur comes high but the Japs must have it.

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They had been bragging on their respective henryads, these two old Bowdoinham "boys," and as the evening drew to a close, it was an even draw between them. Finally, the ancient lad in the coonskin cap, came nobly to the fore. "Ever heard tell of my old setting hen?" "Naw," drawled his comrade of the long bow, "what about your setting hen?" "Well, she's seventeen, if she's a day, and just as game as ever she was; only one draw back to her, she's so old now, that for over a year, she haunt laid a thing but rotten eggs!"

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"But, darling, we certainly had plenty of meat and milk all the time." "Yes, dearest," replied Mrs. Newlywed, "but I bought them from the grocer."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Hard to Refuse.

Rummy Robinson—"How in de name of all hohos do yer get dem kind ladies to give yer de price of a drink?" Boozey Bob—"Why, I always tell dem dat I'm going to spend it in a model saloon like de one in New York."

Thoroughly at Ease.

"You appear to take life pretty easy," said the housewife, as she mixed some sawdust with milk and palmed it off as breakfast food. "Yes, indeed, mum," grinned Sandy Pikes, stretching out in the wheelbarrow, "de whole world is a 'cosy corner' wid me."

More Time Needed.

"Do you believe there is honor among thieves?" said the grocer to the customer. "Well, I can't tell yet," replied the man; "you see, sir, I've only been in this town a week."

A Fashionable Mother.

He—"So you're going to take the dog with you, and leave the baby home with the girl?"

She—"Certainly! I'd be afraid to leave poor little Fido with that girl."—Yonkers Statesman.

Just Like the Giver.

"Whew! Who gave you this cigar, old man?"

"Dauber, the artist."

"I thought so. It's just like him."

"In what way?"

"Why, it's cheap, full of flaws and draws poorly."

Trouble of the Packers.

"This is vacation season," remarked the Observer of Events and Things "and the trunk packers are having quite as much trouble as are the meat packers."

Not Many Left.

"Are there any Leftenants in the Russian army?" asked the Englishman.

"Well," replied a Japanese sympathizer, "I guess there are a mighty few left."—Yonkers Statesman.

No Room For Doubt.

"Why," asked the fat policeman, "do you say the prisoner is a married man?"

"Because," replied the great detective, "he is wearing safety pins instead of suspender buttons."

ONLY A WISH.

I wish I were my lady's veil,
Softly to lie against her cheek,
Where dimples play at hide and seek
And rosy blushes flush and pale.

I'm sure that I should never fail
To feel a charm when she would speak;
I'm sure her glances would prevail
And draw me closer to her cheek.

If wishes were of some avail,
But pshaw, they're only vain and weak,
An idle dream—a childish freak—
And yet, and yet, the thoughts sail—

I wish I were my lady's veil.
Chicago Chronicle.

Why He Didn't Know.

Judge Jonathan Dixon of the supreme court of New Jersey has a habit, well known to old practitioners before him, of asking three questions of counsel arguing at the bar. The first one is usually simple, and the lawyer answers carelessly; the second one is a little more drastic, and the respondent replies with trembling uncertainty; the third is bound to be a poser fraught with humiliation.

On one occasion Richard V. Lindabury of Newark was presenting a case to the court of errors, and when the first question was innocently propounded, he said:

"I don't know."

"Don't know!" cried the judge.

"Why don't you know?"

"Because I haven't heard the other two questions," said the wily advocate.—New York Times.

Shy, Not Stupid.

At a dinner given to Sir Alfred Harmsworth in commemoration of his recent knighting, some one said of the guest of honor:

"Our friend Harmsworth as a schoolboy was shy and quiet. One day, to his horror, an inspector called him up before the class."

"You appear to be a clever lad," the inspector said. "What do five and one make?"

"The little fellow made no answer. 'Come, now,' said the inspector, 'suppose I gave you five rabbits and then another rabbit, how many rabbits would you have?'"

"Seven," said Harmsworth.

"How do you make that out?"

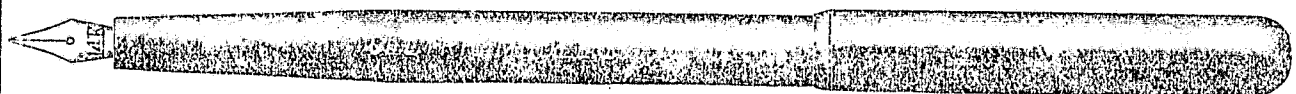
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Pursuant to a license from the Honorable Judge of Probate, for the County of Oxford, I shall sell at public auction, on the thirty-first day of December, A. D., 1904, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at the office of Herrick & Park, in Bethel, in the County of Oxford, State of Maine, all the right, title and interest which Elizabeth J. Tyler, late of said Bethel, deceased, had in and to the following described real estate, viz:—A certain lot or parcel of land with buildings thereon, situated in said Bethel, and bounded northerly by land of Eben S. Kilborn and land of Henry P. Coolidge; westerly by land of Rufus J. Virgin, known as the Kipley lot; southerly by land of said Kilborn and by land of Fred L. Edwards; easterly by the old County road, so-called. Being the same premises conveyed to said Elizabeth J. Tyler by John M. Kenerson, by deed dated July 11th, 1902, recorded in Oxford County Registry of Deeds, book 276, page 125, said parcel being situated at Walker's Mills, so-called.

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STATE NEWS.

Leslie the five-year-old son of Diamond D. Perry of East Hefron, was kicked by a horse and both legs broken. Friday.

Hon. N. S. Parleton, private secretary of Governor Hill, will serve in the same capacity for Governor Cobb. This has already been settled.

One of Rockland's wealthy summer visitors, Lewis Herzog, is showing his interest in the city by fitting up a new ward in the Knox hospital.

Frank Miller, who occupied rooms over a store in Lisbon, was asphyxiated by coal gas Wednesday morning. Deceased, who was 35 years old, was driver of an express and mail wagon.

Thaddeus C. Carver, a former Rockland boy, was elected a State senator in Kansas, this fall, and his majority of 2,540 in his home county was larger than that given any other candidate on the Republican ticket.

Maine's youngest author is said to be Leona Mildred Bicknell of Portland. She is ten years old and has written a book which Lee & Shepherd of Boston have just published. Its title is "How a Little Girl Went to Africa."

While a quantity of oak plank was being unloaded at Lube, from a car recently arrived from Boston, the attention of the authorities was called to a lot of brown tail moths in the lumber. The railroad was notified not to deliver the oak at Lube and it was sent to Eastport to await further orders.

Here is the idea of a Bath pessimist regarding our holidays: "On July 4, we try to kill our fellow citizens with dynamite and noise; on Memorial Day we play base ball and go fishing; on Thanksgiving Day we eat more than we should and Christmas we spend so much money that we have to economize for the rest of the year."

Requests for several public institutions in Maine were made in the will of Miss Francis S. Moody which was filed for probate Tuesday. Among them were the following: Bath Y. M. C. A., \$5,000; Woman's Auxiliary, Y. M. C. A., \$1,000; Goodwill Farm, Fairfield, for enlargement, \$5,000; Home for Working Girls, Lewiston, \$2,000; scholarship in Bates College, \$1,000. The homestead and grounds were given for a home for aged couples and old men; \$19,000 was also donated to Massachusetts public institutions.

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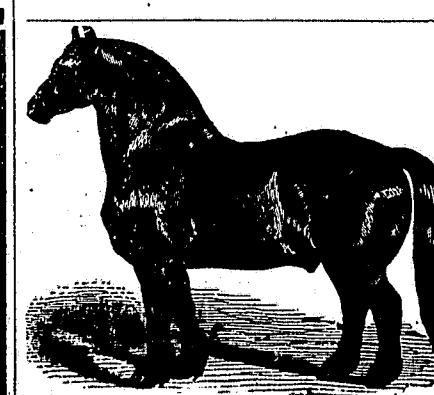
Albert Langille of York Harbor has a lemon tree in his house that is bearing blossom and lemons in startling profusion and which is the wonder of the whole neighborhood. He has been cultivating the tree for about two years. Some of the lemons are as large as hens' eggs and one bouncer, which is nearly ripe and beginning to mellow in color, measures 14 inches around it.

James and Alexander Boulanger who escaped from the Grand Falls, N. B., jail while held on suspicion of stealing \$700 in cash and checks from D. E. Edwards' store in Fort Fairfield, and for whom two posses were hunting were captured Tuesday night of last week about four miles from Fort Fairfield. They did not resist. They were remanded to jail to await the April term of court at Houlton.

A special car of the Portland railroad containing a party of forty or fifty young people who had been attending a dance, was struck by an engine of the Nashua and Portland division of the Boston & Maine at Woodfords at 11.40, Friday evening, and smashed to bits. Nearly every person on the car received injuries of some nature, but fortunately but two or three were seriously hurt.

The Capt. John Curtis Memorial Library was formally presented to the Town of Brunswick, Thursday afternoon, the speech of presentation being made by William J. Curtis, Esq., of New York, the donor, and the speech of acceptance being made by Capt. Lemuel H. Stover, one of the selectmen of Brunswick. The library is considered one of the finest in the State. It cost \$15,000, contains 10,000 volumes and is a one-story brick building with granite trimmings. Captain Curtis was born at Nobleboro, Me., Oct. 4, 1823, and died at Saint Georges, Bermuda, July 3, 1870.

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